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- a. If Oranienburg airfield were to be occupied at all, it would not be before mid-March 1954.
- b. Vietmannsdorf airfield was intended exclusively for jet bombers. The sum of 40,000,000 eastmarks which had been invested in the field appeared to be unreasonably high.

2. A tower, apparently of wooden lattice construction and 15 meters high, was under construction about 250 meters south and slightly east of the hangar of Oranienburg airfield. The base measured about 3 meters x 3 meters. The top appeared to carry a platform or similar structure, possibly with an antenna above it.
3. Five new fuel tanks, each with a capacity of 22,000 liters, were recently installed at Oranienburg airfield. Three were located north of the hangar, and two south of it on the south side of the old north-east/south-west runway.
4. The mobile patrols had been withdrawn from Oranienburg airfield.

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